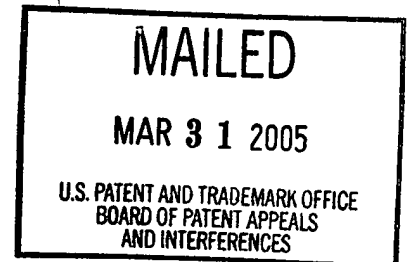


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Ex parte SHIGERU YANO,
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ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER

This application was electronically received at the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences (BPAI) on January 19, 2005. A review of the application has revealed that the application is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith being returned to the examiner. The matters requiring attention prior to docketing are identified below.

An Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) was filed on February 17, 2005. It is not apparent from the electronic record

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that the examiner has considered the statement submitted nor notified applicants of why the submission did not meet the criteria set forth in 37 CFR § 1.197 and § 1.98.

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the application is returned to the examiner for consideration of this IDS and for such further action as may be appropriate.

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